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Author Sadeqa Johnson discusses *The House of Eve* on June 8 as part of the Library of Virginia's 2023 Carole Weinstein Author Series

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA – The Library of Virginia's [2023 Carole Weinstein Author Series](#) continues with a talk by best-selling author **Sadeqa Johnson** on *The House of Eve*, the historical fiction follow-up to her award-winning novel *Yellow Wife*. The free talk will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 8 at the Library of Virginia, 800 East Broad Street, Richmond. A book signing will follow the talk.

The House of Eve continues Johnson's tradition of confronting timeless questions that have no easy answers. In this moving work of historical fiction set in 1950s Philadelphia and Washington, D.C., the stories of two women collide in unexpected ways as they both make decisions that shape the trajectories of their lives. The book explores what it means to be a woman and a mother, and how much one is willing to sacrifice to achieve her greatest goal. *The House of Eve* was an instant *New York Times* best seller and was selected by Reese's Book Club as the February 2023 pick.

Johnson is an international best-selling and award-winning author of five novels. Her novel *Yellow Wife*, which won the Library's 2022 People's Choice Award for Fiction, follows an enslaved woman forced to barter love and freedom while living in the most infamous slave jail in Virginia. Johnson is a Kimbilo Fellow, a former board member of the James River Writers and a member of the Tall Poppy Writers. She also teaches fiction writing for the MFA program at Drexel University.

The Carole Weinstein Author Series supports the literary arts by bringing both new and well-known authors to the Library of Virginia. Free and open to the public, the series focuses on Virginia authors and Virginia subjects across all genres and is made possible through support from the Carole Weinstein Endowment for Virginia Authors. This year marks the Library's 200th anniversary, a special occasion for spotlighting the Library's role in bringing attention to talented Virginia writers and fascinating Virginia subjects.

To see the series schedule and register for events, visit www.lva.virginia.gov/public/weinstein. For more information, contact Elizabeth Kaczynski at elizabeth.klacynski@lva.virginia.gov or 804.692.3536.

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